



Fires Center of Excellence
March 25, 2020

FORT SILL, OK — The Army has increased all installations to Health Protection Condition (HPCON) level Charlie. In order to maintain operational readiness and to protect the force, families, and the entire community, Fort Sill is aligned with this guidance and is now at HPCON level Charlie. Additionally, extra measures are being implemented and Fort Sill continues to proactively assess the situation to ensure the safety of the entire community. All service members, Department of the Army civilians and families are expected to follow all Center for Disease Control social distancing guidance to continue protecting our force.

As part of our continuing efforts to protect the force, beginning Mar. 26 through Apr. 6 Fort Sill will conduct a Health and Safety Stand down that will minimize our work force to only essential personnel. Essential tasks that Fort Sill will continue to do during this time is the training of our basic combat trainees and the required support agencies needed to run that operation. We will also close our gyms for a short time period for a thorough deep cleaning and to put in place additional social distancing/hygiene measures that our leaders will actively check. These steps are but a few of the efforts that we are taking to reduce the spread of COVID-19. “We are committed to maintaining the Army's fighting strength and continuing with our mission here at Fort Sill but our top priority currently is to reduce the spread of this virus while simultaneously maintaining our training capabilities and mission readiness,” states Maj. Gen. Kenneth Kamper, the commanding general of the Fires Center of Excellence and Fort Sill.

We continue to encourage and enforce strict hygiene and avoidance of areas where transmission is likely high as well as increased social distancing. Crowded areas and frequently touched surfaces should be avoided to the greatest extent possible.

Our community and daily lives will be impacted by the recommended measures that are or may need to be taken in order to protect your health and safety during this rapidly changing event. There will be impacts related to travel, schools, child and youth programs, health care clinics and commissary facilities. Together, we can prepare for the real possibility of restricted access or closure of these locations and we ask your patience and adherence if and when actions need to be taken.

If you or a family member develop symptoms or have questions related to your health, we ask that you contact Reynolds Army Health Clinic line 580-917-8475 so that our healthcare providers can best address your needs. Contacting the COVID-19 hotline at 1-800-984-8523 is the best way to further protect the community. Those that are currently self-quarantining need to remain in their quarters or at home to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and take the proper precautions.

We are providing daily updates on the status of restrictions and potential closures on both the Fort Sill website <https://sill-www.army.mil/> and the official Fort Sill Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/officialftsill>. We recommend you check it frequently for information.

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COVID-19 Fact Response Sheet As of: 25 March 2020



Primary Sources for updated and official information on Fort Sill

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/officialftsill>

Official Website: <https://sill-www.army.mil/>

Reynolds Army Health Clinic: <https://www.rach.sill.amedd.army.mil/>

Reynolds COVID-19 Information Line: 580-558-2770

Reynolds Army Health Clinic Line: 580-917-8475

Army Public Health Center COVID Hotline: 1-800-984-8523

CG FCOE Town Hall- Facebook Live Tuesdays 1800

(HPCON C as of 25 MAR)

PCS, TDY, and Leave Travel: (Effective 16 Mar through 11 May)

- ✓ Soldiers who have already departed Ft Sill on a CONUS PCS will continue to move.
- ✓ All other PCS and TDY travel is postponed until at least May 11th. Request exceptions through your chain of command.
- ✓ If currently on leave that ends during the stop movement window return to Ft Sill at the end of your scheduled leave.
- ✓ Leave and travel is limited to 60 miles from Ft Sill. Limited exceptions will be granted.
- ✓ Civilian Employees are highly encouraged to abide by the 60 mile travel radius as well.
- ✓ If you are currently on TDY, seek guidance from your chain of command. Generally, you will remain on TDY until mission complete, then return to Ft Sill.
- ✓ Soldiers returning from any overseas travel will self-quarantine for 14 days. Soldiers and family members in self-quarantine status will adhere to all necessary precautions.
- ✓ Individuals pending retirement or separation within the next 60 days are exempt from these stop move restrictions.

Increased Health Protection Conditions (HPCON) Measure:

- ✓ Installation Services may be limited depending on resources.
- ✓ Religious services will be virtual. Large gatherings of 10 or more and MWR events for the next 30 days are cancelled.
- ✓ Livestream of Graduation Ceremonies and Town Hall Events.
- ✓ Gate entry procedures include "no touch" on CAC card.
- ✓ Reynolds Army Health Clinic is implementing screenings through the east entrance.
- ✓ Ft Sill Dental Clinics are serving urgent and emergency patients only.
- ✓ Ft Sill Museums are closed.
- ✓ Ft Sill USO is closed.
- ✓ Food venues are carry out or delivery only.
- ✓ Fitness Centers are limited to those with DOD ID cards. No guest passes allowed at this time. Fitness Centers will be closed for cleaning until on or about 28 MAR. New social distancing measures will be implemented at reopening.
- ✓ The Commissary and PX remain open with modified hours and restrictions on the number of critical items a patron can purchase at one time.
- ✓ Veterinary services are emergency and K9 services only.
- ✓ **Upon entering PX, Commissary, Fitness Centers, and other installation facilities everyone is expected to use hand sanitizer, wash hands, and maintain social distancing.**

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Your
Hands**

Facility and Service Closures or Reduction:

- ✓ Lawton Public School will remain closed through the end of the academic year but will conduct continuous learning plans (distance learning).
- ✓ Child Development Centers (CDCs) currently remain open. Services may be reduced should conditions change.

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